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Fig. 1.

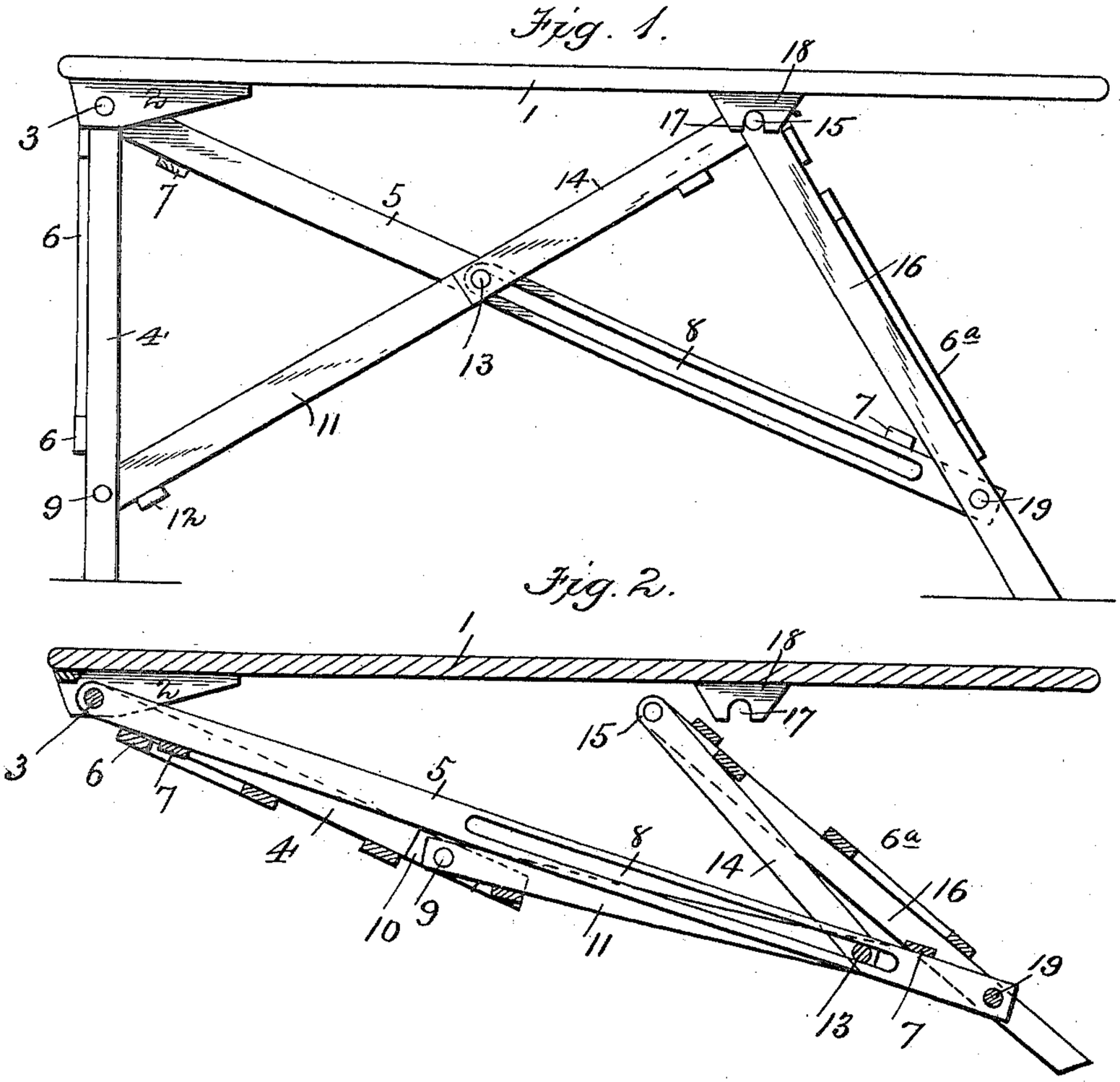
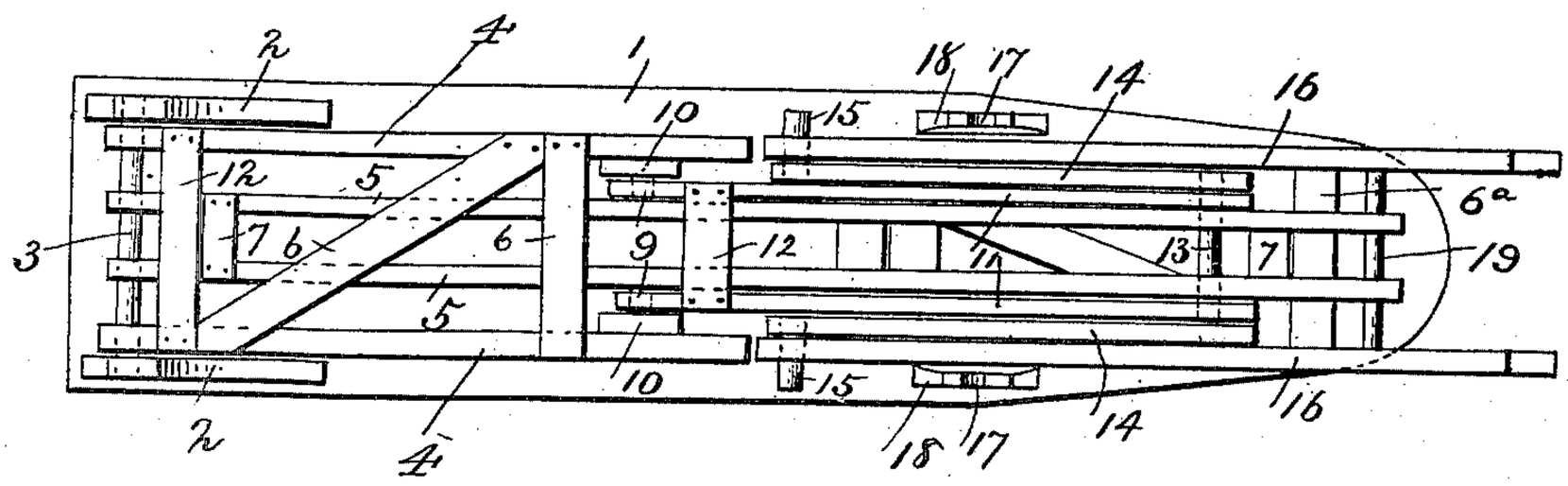


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.



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IRONING-TABLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OLAF O. STAGEBERG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jewell, in the county of Hamilton and State of Iowa, have invented new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Tables, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to ironing-tables; and the objects of the same are to provide simple and convenient means for folding the legs compactly against the under surface of the ironing-board when not in use and to provide a firm, solid, and unyielding support for the board when desired for use.

The principal objects of my invention are to provide means for giving rigidity to the structure and to brace the table in the directions of greatest strain, while at the same time permitting the legs and braces to be compactly folded to occupy but little space when not required for use. I attain these objects by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of an ironing-table made in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a side view showing the legs and braces partially folded up. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the under side of the ironing-board, showing the legs folded up in position for compact storage.

Like numerals of reference designate like parts wherever they occur in the different views.

In said drawings the numeral 1 designates an ironing-board, which may be of any suitable size and shape, and secured to the under side of this board near one end are the two bearing-blocks 2 for a transverse pintle 3, which forms a pivot for the legs 4 and the diagonal braces 5. The legs 4 are provided with braces 6. The diagonal braces 5 are loosely mounted on the pintle 3 and are held the required distance apart by stay-pieces 7. A slot 8 is formed in each diagonal brace 5, said slots extending from near the center of said braces to points near one of the ends thereof. Near the lower ends of the legs 4 stub-pintles 9 project through the said legs and through spacing-blocks 10, the inner ends of said stub-pintles forming pivot-bearings for the folding diagonal bars 11. The bars 11 are braced at 12, and the inner ends of said bars are loosely mounted upon a rod or pin 13, which extends through the slots 8 in the diagonal braces 5, through the bars 11, and through the folding members 14, said rod or pin being firmly secured to said members 14. The outer ends of the members 14 are pivoted upon stub-pintles 15, which project through the inclined legs 16 and are firmly secured thereto. The ends of the pintles 15 extend beyond the sides of the legs 16 to engage the recesses 17 in the bearing-blocks 18 when the table is opened out in condition for use. The inclined legs 16 are braced at 6^a, and near the lower ends of said legs a transverse rod or pin 19 is secured. The ends of the slotted diagonal braces 5 are pivoted upon the rod 19.

From the foregoing it will be obvious that when the table is opened out for use, as shown in Fig. 1, the pintles 15 are firmly seated in the recesses 17 and the folding bars 11 and the members 14 brace the structure in one direction, while the slotted braces 5 hold the inclined legs 16 firmly in place, the lower ends of said legs 16 resting upon the floor at points well under the smaller end of the board 1. When the table is to be folded, the slots 8 serve as guideways for the rod or pin 13, and said rod or pin is moved in said slots to fold the table, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. When folded, all the legs and braces extend parallel to the under side of the board, as shown in Fig. 3.

My ironing-table is comparatively simple in construction, can be manufactured at a small cost, and when opened out for use is firm and unyielding and can be folded to occupy but little more space than the plain ironing-board.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In an ironing-table, the combination, substantially as described, with a board, of a first pair of legs pivoted to one end of said board, a second pair of legs constructed to support the other end of said board, a diagonal brace pivoted at its upper end to said first pair of legs, and at its lower end to said second pair of legs, said diagonal brace being slotted longitudinally, a pintle extending through said slot, a first folding bar pivoted at one end on said pintle and at its other end

to said first pair of legs, and a second folding bar secured at one end on said pintle and at its other end pivoted to said second pair of legs.

2. In an ironing-table, the combination, substantially as described, with a board, of a first pair of legs pivoted to one end of said board, a second pair of legs bearing against the other end of said board, a pair of diagonally-extending longitudinally-slotted braces pivoted at their upper ends to said first pair of legs and at their lower ends to said second pair of legs, a pintle extending through said slot and mounted to slide therein, a first pair of folding bars pivoted at their lower ends to said first pair of legs and at their upper ends to said pintle, a second pair of folding bars secured at their lower ends to said pintle and pivoted at their upper ends to stub-pintles mounted in said second pair of legs.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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